

# Things to Pray for:

**CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS:** Please continue to pray for Jerry Jamrozy, who has bone cancer. Pray for Katy's health. Continue to pray for Sam's health.

**MISSIONARIES:** This month pray for Jayne.

**FAMILY OF THE WEEK:** Each week we'll pray for a different family in our church. This week, pray for the Fishers.

**HILLSIDE HAPPENINGS:** Pray that the church would continue to stay unified under Christ. Pray for our livestream and for the people joining us there. Pray for Casa Del Alfarero, the Spanish-speaking Missionary Church 5 minutes from our building.

**CURRENT HAPPENINGS:** Pray for the war in Israel and the peace deal. Pray for the war in Ukraine. Pray for everyone affected by Hurricane Malissa. Pray for all of the churches affected by Hurricane Malissa.



## Numbers

### Attendance

In-person on 12/21/25: 532

Online views (Through 12/22): 5

### Giving

Online: 12/15/25 - 12/21/25: \$120

In-person on 12/21/25: \$4613 for general, \$150 for outreach, \$20 for foster closet



Give Online



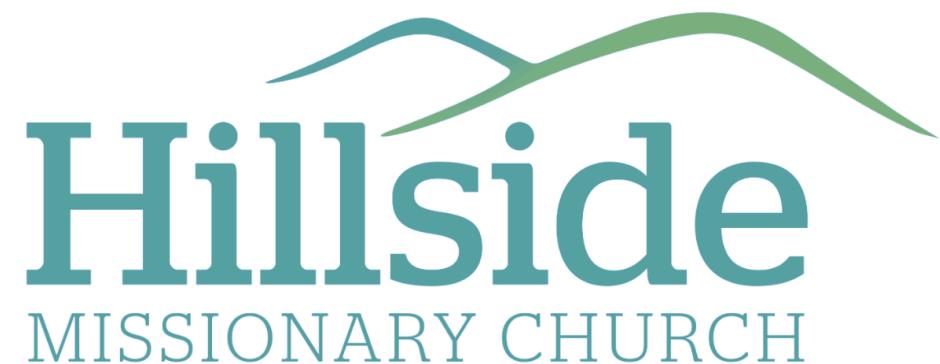
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# Welcome!

December 28th, 2025

Whether you're a guest or a long-time attendee we're glad you're here with us. We're a friendly and caring group of Christians who are here to help people be CONNECTED with Jesus, CHANGED by Jesus, and COMMITTED to the mission of Jesus.

**GUESTS:** Thanks for joining us today! We truly believe that you're not here by accident and that God has some amazing plans for your life. If you'd like some information about who we are and how to get plugged in here at Hillside, please fill out the "I'm New" page on our website, which can be found by the QR code to the right.

**EMAIL LIST:** If you would like to receive prayer requests, announcements, and our weekly email, feel free to scan the QR code above. It will take you to the "I'm New" page on our website, where you can fill out your name, phone number, and email.

**SERMON SERIES:** Today we're in a mini series where we're taking a look at what led to Christmas.



## Announcements

**FAMILY SUNDAY:** Today we are having a family Sunday! Please remember the 3 R's:

**Relax:** Noise from kids is ok! God gave them more energy than us adults, and that's a good thing.

**Remember:** Kids will remember how adults are reacting to them, and that will affect the way they view God.

**Redirect:** We have activity packs available! There are also kids rooms available for parents to take their children to if needed.

**BAPTISM:** Are you interested in getting baptized? We would love to celebrate with you! Please talk to Pastor Josh for more details.

**SMALL GROUPS:** A new small group will be starting in January, focusing on marriage! If you are interested in joining, please see Pastor Josh.

**WINTER MOVIE SERIES:** We are having a winter movie series on the 3rd Sunday evening of January, February, and March at 6:30pm. We hope to see you there!

## Opportunities to Help

**TECH:** Our worship team is looking for someone who would like to run sound and/or slides. Please see Pastor Josh.

**WORSHIP TEAM:** Would you like to help out on the worship team? Please see Carolyn Dodd for details.

**PRAYER GUIDE:** Will you be in prayer for Hillside? Prayer guides are available at the welcome counter. Also, if you would like to be a prayer advocate, please see Pastor Josh.

**MAINTENANCE TEAM:** Would you like to help out on the maintenance team? We need help inside and outside the building. Please see Jeff Soule for details.



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John 2:19-20, Luke 1:37, Matt. 19:26, Jer. 32:17

### 2. Far \_\_\_\_\_ things than we can do

John 2:20, Is. 55:9, Ps. 126:3, Rom. 4:21, 8:28

### 3. What we can't even \_\_\_\_\_ to do

John 2:21-22, Eph. 3:20, 1 Cor. 2:9

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# Reflecting on God's Word

## Getting Started

- Take some time to read over John 2:13-22 and pray.
- Have you ever read or heard about this before? What stood out to you as we were talking about it?
- What surprised you as we talked about it?
- As you reflect on this sermon series, what questions come to mind?
- Take some time in prayer asking God to help you to not just go through the motions this Christmas season.

## Diving In

1. Jesus makes it clear that He can do what we could never accomplish, namely, salvation. Spend some time in prayer thanking Him for offering you His grace. Afterwards, take some time and jot down who in your life needs God's grace. How can you best point those people that you wrote down towards Jesus?

2. God can also do far greater things than we could ever do. Take some time thinking through a time in your life where you tried to do something, but you were unsuccessful until you handed it over to the Lord. Who can you encourage with that story?

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## Applying the Scripture

What are your biggest takeaways from this passage of God's Word?

- What practical step(s) do you need to implement in your life to apply what God has taught you in this passage of Scripture?
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